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Senior Interagency Group No. 23

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DATE AND TIME: June 9, 1983, 2:30 p.m.

PLACE: Deputy Secretary's Conference Room 7219, Department of State

SUBJECT: SIG Meeting on Transfer of Strategic Technology,
June 9

SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS

Summary

Under Secretary Schneider opened the meeting by noting that a number of recent public opinion polls indicate that there is a good support base in the public sector for U.S. policy in the field of technology transfer and for the directions being taken in the SIG.

Interim progress reports on the following issues were distributed:

- A. NSSD 1-83 Policy Study
- B. Missile Technology Controls
- C. Soviet Access to Computer Networks
- D. Implementation of Visa Policy
- E. TTIC Report, including final Austria study
- F. Extradition and Mutual Legal Assistance
- G. U.S.G. Training Program
- H. Public Awareness Program

With regard to the Public Awareness Program, the Chairman noted that contacts with industry have identified a willingness on industry's part to work with the U.S.G., and there is now a need for better coordination among U.S.G. agencies. Dale Tahtenin will chair an interagency meeting at the DAS level to coordinate U.S.G. participation in several upcoming briefings being sponsored by high technology trade associations. The Chairman expressed the hope that interested agencies would be prepared to commit resources for those meetings.

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COCOM HLM

The Chairman summarized the results of the recent COCOM HLM and discussed possible next steps with regard to modernization, new members, the military sub-committee, the Ad Hoc Committee on Other High Technology, and the Export Control Subcommittee meeting in September. The Chairman asked Mr. Tahtenin to take the lead in interagency preparations for the September meeting.

With regard to the Ad Hoc Committee, it was noted that Commerce had produced some excellent documentation in support of U.S. oil and gas proposals, but that we still lacked adequate information on the specific military applications of the oil and gas equipment and the technology in question. DOD reported that recently established contracts with IDA would remedy the problem.

In line with a recommendation of the HLM, the U.S.-chaired budget subcommittee has already developed a supplemental 1983 budget which calls for strengthening of the COCOM Secretariat. DOD reported that language has been sent to OMB seeking reprogramming authority for our contribution to COCOM. The Chairman pointed out that reprogramming was preferable to a supplemental.

Although considerable progress had been made at the HLM, a lot of hard work continues to be necessary to effect improvements in the multilateral system of export controls. The Chairman noted the following specific follow-up actions: Dale Tahtenin will lead interagency groups preparing for the German Technology List proposal and Ad Hoc meetings in July and the Policy Level Subcommittee on Export Control meeting in September. He will also chair an interagency group on the expansion of COCOM membership. In regard to modernization, we must obtain U.S. funding as a first step to getting other members to increase their contributions. Finally, Mr. Schneider recommended that Mr. Tahtenin convene a group to discuss the future of military and defense representation at COCOM.

Japan Action Plan

The Chairman summarized progress already made with the Japanese in our attempts to make the question of technology transfer a major strand in our bilateral relationship with Japan. The Action Plan, which had been previously distributed to all agencies, was approved by the SIG. It was suggested that the Working Group not be disbanded but draft a strategy paper and coordinate all activities to implement the Action Plan.

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TTIC Country Assessment Studies

The Chairman reported that country assessment studies of Japan and Austria had been completed, China and West Germany will be completed shortly; and India and France are well underway. The SIG approved the Chairman's suggestion that Switzerland be the next priority for TTIC study to be ready by December 1983. The existence of the study is to be closely held.

FBI Briefing

The final agenda item was a Top Secret briefing by Mr. Edward O'Malley on the scope, methods, and current trends in the technology acquisition efforts of the Soviet and Eastern European intelligence services in the United States.

ACTION ASSIGNMENTS

1. The Japan Working Group will draft a strategy paper to implement the Japan Action Plan, coordinate other activities related to the Plan, especially those which involve interaction with the Japanese government, and report to the SIG on its progress.
2. The TTIC will undertake a country assessment study of Switzerland and provide the study to the SIG by December 1983.
3. Dale Tahtenin will coordinate interagency activity in follow-up to the COCOM HLM.

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